

## CHAPTER 368.

## AN ACT FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

*The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :*

SECTION 1. If any person shall overdrive, overload, torture, torment, deprive of necessary sustenance, or cruelly beat, or needlessly mutilate, or kill, or cause or procure to be overdriven, overloaded, tortured, tormented, or deprived of necessary sustenance, or to be cruelly beaten, needlessly mutilated, or kill as aforesaid any useful beast, fowl, or animal, every such offender shall for every such offence be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Misdemeanor to overdrive, &c., cruelly beat, &c., any useful beast, &c.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall keep, or use, or in any way be connected with or interested in the management of, or shall receive money for the admission of any person to any place kept or used for the purpose of fighting, or baiting any bull, bear, dog, cock, or other creature; and any person who shall encourage, aid or assist therein, or who shall permit or suffer any place to be so kept or used, shall, upon conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor.

Misdemeanor to keep, &c., any place for fighting, &c., any bull, &c.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall impound or cause to be impounded in any pound or other place any creature, shall supply to the same during such confinement a sufficient quantity of good and wholesome food and water, and in default thereof shall, upon conviction, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor.

Misdemeanor to fail to supply any creature impounded, with good and wholesome food and water.

SEC. 4. In case any creature shall be at any time impounded as aforesaid, and shall continue to be without necessary food and water for more than twelve successive hours, it shall be lawful for any person from time to time, and as often as it shall be necessary to enter into and upon any such pound or other place in which any creature shall be so confined, and to supply it with necessary food and water so long as it shall remain so confined :

Lawful for any person to supply necessary food and water to any creature impounded, &c.